

Amendments to the Claims

1. (currently amended) A system for allowing traders to switch between multiple issues in trading quadrants, the system comprising:

a display device;

a keyboard that has keys, wherein the keys include comprising a key associated with a first benchmark issue and a key associated with a first non-benchmark issue related to the first benchmark issue, and a key associated with a second benchmark issue and a key associated with a second non-benchmark issue related to the second benchmark issue; and

a processor configured to:

direct the display device to display simultaneously a first trading quadrant having comprising trading information related to the first[[a]] benchmark issue and a second trading quadrant comprising trading information related to the second benchmark issue;

provide-allow a trader with an opportunity to select the at least onefirst non-benchmark issue that is related to the first benchmark issue by pressing the key on the keyboard that is mapped to the at least onefirst non-benchmark issue and to select the second non-benchmark issue that is related to the second benchmark issue by pressing the key on the keyboard that is mapped to the second non-benchmark issue; and

direct the display device to replace the trading information related to the first benchmark issue in the first quad with display trading information related to the selected first non-benchmark issue with a selection of the key associated with the first non-benchmark issue and to replace the trading information related to the second benchmark issue in the second quad with trading information related to the second non-benchmark issue with a selection of the key associated with the second non-benchmark issue.

2. (currently amended) The system of claim 1 wherein the keyboard has comprises a key for price improvement that when selected improves on an existing market price for a selected issue and places the order with the improved price in front of other orders in a trading stack.

3. (original) The system of claim 1 wherein the keyboard has a key for direct dealing.

4. (currently amended) The system of claim 1 wherein the processor is further configured to direct the display device to display a second-trading quadrant that includes information related to the selected non-benchmark issue.

5. (currently amended) The system of claim 4 wherein the second trading quadrant is a Treasury swaps trading quadrant.

6. (original) The system of claim 5 wherein the Treasury swaps trading quadrant includes at least three of the most recent benchmark issues.

7. (currently amended) The system of claim 4 wherein the second trading quadrant is an off-the-run trading quadrant.

8. (original) The system of claim 7 wherein the Treasury swaps trading quadrant includes at least three of the most recent benchmark issues.

9. (currently amended) The system of claim 4 wherein the second trading quadrant is a yield curve trading quadrant.

10. (currently amended) The system of claim 4 wherein the second trading quadrant is a basis trading quadrant.

11. (currently amended) The system of claim 4 wherein the second trading quadrant is a limit orders trading quadrant.

12. (currently amended) A method for allowing a trader to switch between multiple issues in a trading quadrant, the method comprising:

displaying simultaneously a first trading quadrant having comprising trading information related to a first benchmark issue and a second trading quadrant comprising trading information related to a second benchmark issue;

providing the trader with an opportunity to select receiving a selection of a key on a keyboard associated with at least one non-benchmark issue that is related to at least one of the first and second benchmark issues by pressing a key on a keyboard that is mapped to the at least one non-benchmark issue; and

replacing the trading information related to a benchmark issue in a trading quadrant with providing the trader with the selected non-benchmark issue and trading information related to the selected non-benchmark issue.

13. (currently amended) The method of claim 12 wherein providing the trader with the selected non-benchmark issue further comprises display comprising displaying in a second trading quadrant information related to the selected non-benchmark issue.

14. (currently amended) The method of claim 13 wherein the second-trading quadrant is a Treasury swaps trading quadrant.

15. (currently amended) The method of claim 13 wherein the second-trading quadrant is an off-the-run trading quadrant.

16. (currently amended) The method of claim 13 wherein the second-trading quadrant is a yield curve trading quadrant.

17. (currently amended) The method of claim 13 wherein the second-trading quadrant includes basis trading information.

18. (currently amended) The method of claim 13 wherein the second-trading quadrant includes a limits trading information.

19. (currently amended) A method for allowing a trader to switch between multiple issues in a trading quadrant, the method comprising:

displaying a first trading quadrant comprising trading information related to a benchmark issue;

receiving a selection of a key on a keyboard associated with providing the trader with an opportunity to select at least one non-benchmark issue that is related to the benchmark issue by pressing the associated issue key on a keyboard that is mapped to the at least one non-benchmark issue; and

displaying simultaneously a second trading quadrant for the selected non-benchmark issue, wherein the second trading quadrant includes comprises trading information related to the selected non-benchmark issue.

20. (currently amended) A system for providing direct dealing information, the system comprising:

a server storage device;

a server processor connected to the server storage device, the server storage device storing a server program for controlling the server processor, the server processor operative with the server program to:

receive real-time direct dealing content related to an item and trading information related to the item for use in a trading quadrant, wherein the direct dealing content comprises at least one of a request a quote, a response with a price, a cancel to a response, an amend a response, or an accept a response, and wherein the trading information comprises limit order data for the item; and

simultaneously display the trading quadrant comprising the trading information related to the item and a ticker that contains the received real-time direct dealing content related to the item; and

a plurality of workstations, each of the plurality of workstations operative to communicate with the server, each of the workstations comprising:

a workstation storage device; and

a workstation processor connected to the workstation storage device, the workstation storage device storing a workstation program for controlling the workstation processor, the workstation program operative to display the trading quadrant comprising the limit order data for the item and the ticker that contains comprises the received real-time direct dealing content.

21. (currently amended) The system of claim 20 wherein the server program is further programmed to receive a midprice order to buy or sell an item at a price within a spread market and update the direct dealing content in the ticker to include the midprice order to buy or sell the item.

22. (original) The system of claim 20 wherein the server program is further programmed to update the direct dealing content in the ticker.

23. (original) The system of claim 20 wherein the ticker includes at least one request, wherein the request includes an orientation and a size.

24. (original) The system of claim 20 wherein the ticker includes at least one response, wherein the request includes an orientation and a size.

25. (original) A method for providing direct dealing information in a trading quadrant that has trading information, the method comprising:

receiving real-time direct dealing content for use in the trading quadrant; and

simultaneously displaying the trading quadrant and a ticker that contains the received real-time direct dealing content.

26. (original) The method of claim 25 further comprising receiving a midprice order to buy or sell an item at a price within a spread market and updating the direct dealing content in the ticker.

27. (original) The method of claim 26 further comprising updating the direct dealing content in the ticker.

28. (original) The method of claim 26 wherein the ticker includes at least one request, wherein the request includes an orientation and a size.

29. (original) The method of claim 26 wherein the ticker includes at least one response, wherein the request includes an orientation and a size.

30. (original) A method for providing real-time direct dealing information in a trading quadrant that has trading information, the method comprising:

receiving a midprice order to buy or sell an item at a price within a spread market;

updating direct dealing content in a direct dealing ticker in response to receiving the midprice order; and

simultaneously displaying the trading quadrant and the updated direct dealing ticker.